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Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act Passes Florida House

Tallahassee, Fla. – CS/CS/SB 1312, Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act, today passed the Florida House of Representatives.

“I commend my colleagues for approving this measure today and applaud Representative McKeel for his leadership on this issue,” said House Speaker Dean Cannon (R-Winter Park). “I am confident that the Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services, under the leadership of Commissioner Putnam, will significantly improve the nutrition of our schools’ cafeteria menus and encourage Florida’s children to adopt healthy eating habits at a young age.”

The Healthy Schools for Healthy Lives Act aims to expand school access to Florida’s fresh fruits and vegetables by moving school nutrition programs to the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services.

“School nutrition programs are key to encouraging Florida’s children to make healthy choices at an early age,” said Representative Seth McKeel (R-Lakeland), sponsor of this legislation. “Having school nutrition programs under the purview of Commissioner Putnam and the Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services will give schools unparalleled access to Florida’s freshest fruits and vegetables by directly connecting Florida’s agricultural community and our state’s schools.”

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